

World Water Day

March 22, 2022

Presented by Councilmember Joe LaCava

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego recognizes the importance of clean and equitable access to water; **and**

WHEREAS, climate change will fundamentally alter our access to potable water, amplifying the importance of groundwater around the country; **and**

WHEREAS, more than two million Americans currently live without access to clean and safe drinking water with the numbers only increasing as climate change disproportionately affects communities of concern; **and**

WHEREAS, by preventing runoff, participating in source reduction, and capturing water, San Diegans can help preserve the quality of water that we currently have access to; **and**

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego has invested in clean and local water through the Pure Water project, which will locally provide more than 40% of San Diego's water supply by the end of 2035;

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego is pursuing harvesting stormwater to capture and reuse as a valuable resource, **and**

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego will continue to pursue policies that promote clean and equitable access to water and will work to reduce the impact of climate change through the implementation of the Climate Action Plan; **NOW, THEREFORE**

BE IT PROCLAIMED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that this Council, for and on behalf of the City of San Diego, does hereby proclaim March 22, 2022 to be “**World Water Day**” in the City of San Diego.